

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY  
G-2, SSS STATION "P"  
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Operation "JOSHUA"

Map Reference: 1:25,000, Germany, Sheet 6807.

After studying the possibilities of the infiltration of "Joshua" along the 44th Division front with Major SNEEHAN of G-2 and representatives of our Area Team, the region of MORSBACH-FORBACH was chosen. It was decided to put "Joshua" through by having him proceed north along the railroad tracks from a point (364-640) at the juncture of the road and the railroad tracks, until he would reach the forest at 363-657, which he would traverse to the highway at 364-668 and then continue south-west along the highway into FORBACH.

On the afternoon of 18 January, 1945, Lt. WILLARD and Sgt. Gellis took "Joshua" to the area of the 276th Regt., 44th Division. Through Lt. MARK, they were able to arrange for quarters for the night at the 3rd Bn. CP. The point of passage was also reconnoitered.

The following morning, 19 January, 1945, "Joshua" was taken to L Co., 276th Regt., located at 346-638. Lt. FILLERUP, the company commander, volunteered to accompany Lt. WILLARD, Sgt Gellis, and "Joshua" on the mission.

Just before dusk, they proceeded north-west along the road to 361-652, due south from that point to 36-642, where they parked the vehicle in concealment behind a building. From there they walked to the railroad tracks at 364-640, where "Joshua" was dispatched in a northerly direction along the railroad tracks according to plan.

"Joshua" was last observed moving out of sight at 365-655. There is every reason to believe that he was successfully dispatched.

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